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February 20, 2007

HAMRE, SCHUMANN, MUELLER & LARSON, P.C.
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MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402
US

Dear Sir/Madam,

Your refund request for 10521234 in the amount of \$330.00 has been denied.

According to our records, only a one month
extension of time was charged. See attachment.

Rita White
Sincerely,
RITA WHITE
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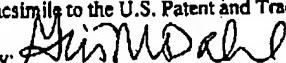
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PATENTIN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	YONEHARA	Examiner:	BARNHART
Serial No.:	10/521234	Group Art Unit:	1651
Filed:	January 13, 2005	Docket No.:	10873.1574USWO
Title:	METHOD OF DEGRADING PROTEIN USING SULFONIC ACID COMPOUND		

CERTIFICATE UNDER 17 CFR 1.6(d):

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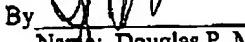
Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby respectfully requests a refund for this application. A restriction requirement for this case was mailed on November 20, 2006. Applicant filed a response to the restriction requirement by facsimile on January 10, 2007 with a petition for one-month extension and authorization to charge the deposit account \$120.00 for the one-month extension (from December 20, 2006 to January 20, 2007). Enclosed is a copy of the response filed, along with the PTO automated facsimile confirmation. A two-month extension fee (\$450.00) has been charged to deposit account No. 50-3478.

Applicant respectfully requests that the amount of \$330.00 be refunded. If desired, the refund may be made via the deposit account No. 50-3478 for Hamre, Schumann, Mueller & Larson, P.C.

Respectfully submitted,

Hamre, Schumann,
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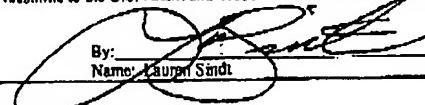
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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.6(d):
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 2007.


 By:
 Name: Lora Elizabeth Barnhart
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 1-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed November 20, 2006, said period of response being extended from December 20, 2006 to January 20, 2007.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-3478 in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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